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**BOY**



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**This issue is COLOSSAL! SENSATIONAL! STUPENDOUS!**



IT'S COMIN' GOOD! BOY, I SURE WISH I COULD SEE HIS FACE!

WE GOT ENOUGH, SNIFFER! LET'S SCRAM! I DON'T WANNA TANGLE WITH THAT WILD BULL!

**IF YOU THINK THIS IS FUNNY, JUST READ INSIDE-YOU'LL SPLIT A GUT WHEN IRON JAW, SNIFFER AND THE VACUUM MEET FACE TO FACE!**

**CHARLES BIRO**







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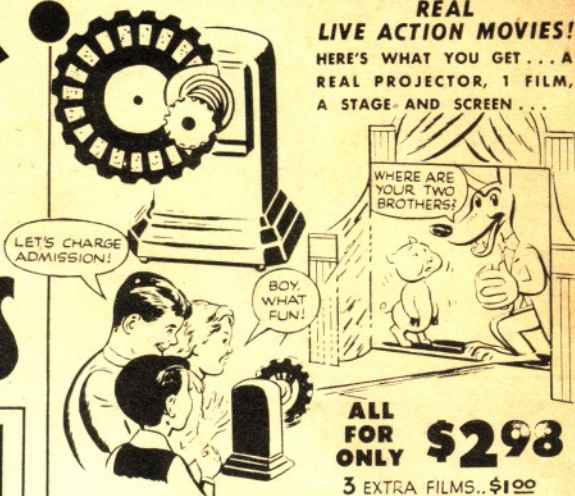


# LOOK!

## AT THESE 4 WONDER BARGAINS

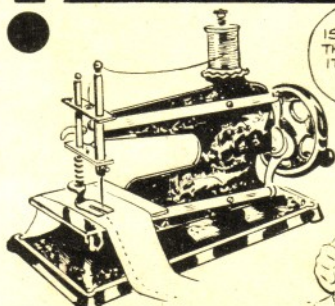
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HEY KIDS — HERE'S YOUR CHANCE TO BECOME A MASTER VENTRILOQUIST—IN A JIFFY! IMAGINE — YOU CAN MAKE HAPPY THE COWBOY ACTUALLY TALK! (IN YOUR OWN VOICE, OF COURSE.) PULL THE STRING IN THE BACK OF HIS HEAD—WATCH HIS LIPS MOVE—HEAR YOUR OWN WORDS COMING RIGHT OUT OF HAPPY'S MOUTH! SEE HOW REAL HE LOOKS—RIGGED UP IN A COWBOY HAT, WASHABLE PLAID SHIRT AND WESTERN PANTS. SHOW OFF YOUR SKILL AT PARTIES —AT SCHOOL!



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### 4/ LIFE LIKE SANDY



HELLO!

I'M SANDY!  
I DRINK, I WET,  
I SLEEP, AND YOU  
CAN WAVE MY  
HAIR, TOO!

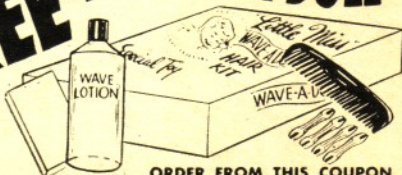
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# CRIMEBUSTER

in "PARTNERS IN BLUNDER"

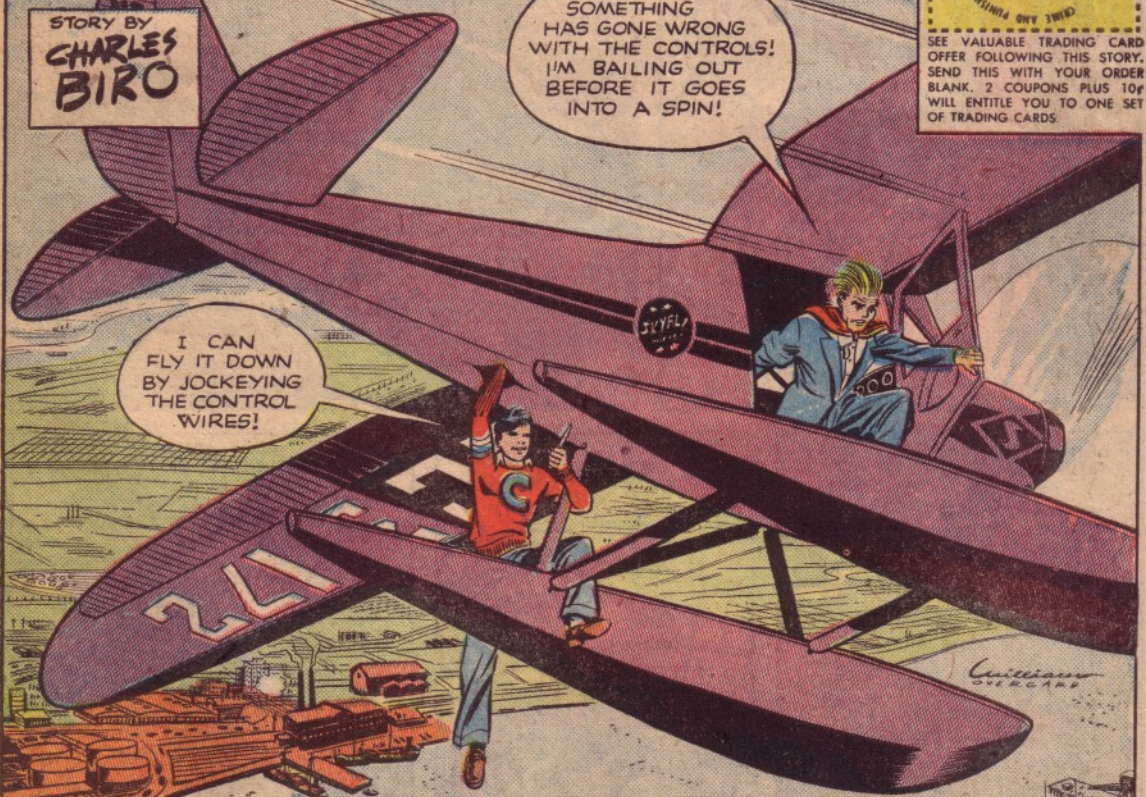
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STORY BY  
**CHARLES BIRO**

SOMETHING HAS GONE WRONG WITH THE CONTROLS! I'M BAILING OUT BEFORE IT GOES INTO A SPIN!

I CAN FLY IT DOWN BY JOCKEYING THE CONTROL WIRES!



WHEN NERVE AND CUNNING WERE GIVEN OUT, SNIFFER MUST HAVE GOTTEN IN LINE TWICE! WHAT HE LACKS IN PHYSICAL BEAUTY, HE MORE THAN MAKES UP FOR WITH HIS CRUST! EVEN HARD-CRUSTED IRON JAW WAS STAGGERED

BY HIS BALD-FACED, UNADULTERATED NERVE, WHICH SHOULD GIVE YOU SOME IDEA OF WHAT'S IN STORE FOR THE VACUUM...

*Charles Biro*



IT SEEMS AS IF CRIMEBUSTER HAS AT LAST CAPTURED THE VACUUM - THE MOST UNUSUAL CRIMINAL IN HISTORY - BUT WAIT...



NICE GOING, CRIME-BUSTER! I GUARANTEE WE WON'T LET HIM SLIP OUT OF OUR HANDS THIS TIME!

JUST BE SURE TO GET THAT VACUUM GISMO OFF BEFORE HE REVIVES! WITHOUT THAT HE'S A PUSHEROVER!

YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY! HE'S OUT LIKE A LIGHT!



HEY, CRIME-BUSTER! HE'S COMING TO! WATCH OUT!



I HOPE YOU'VE GOT A HARD HEAD, CRIME-BUSTER!

WHOOSH



HE'S GOING TO GET AWAY!

WHOOSH!



OKAY! NOW, AFTER HIM! CHASE THAT SLIPPERY EEL! HE'S HEADING FOR THAT SEAPLANE BASE ACROSS THE RIVER!



A SEAPLANE! THERE'S MY ESCAPE!

EGAGS! WHAT KIND OF POWER ARE YOU USING?

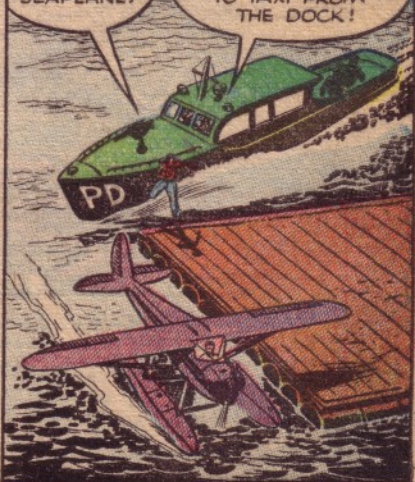


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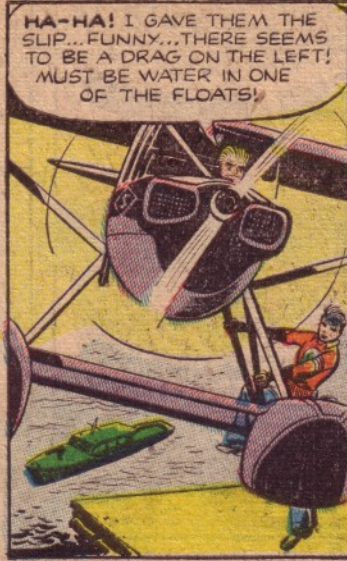


HE'S TAKING OFF IN THAT SEAPLANE!

WE'RE TOO LATE, CRIMEBUSTER! HE'S ALREADY BEGUN TO TAXI FROM THE DOCK!







HA-HA! I GAVE THEM THE SLIP... FUNNY... THERE SEEMS TO BE A DRAG ON THE LEFT! MUST BE WATER IN ONE OF THE FLOATS!



HE'D BLAST ME OFF THE PLANE IF I ATTEMPTED TO GET INTO THE CABIN! MY ONLY CHANCE OF SPOILING HIS ESCAPE IS TO GET AT THE RUDDER CONTROLS AND TRY TO MANEUVER THE PLANE DOWN!



THIS WILL DRIVE THE VACUUM CRAZY! HE WON'T KNOW WHAT'S WRONG WITH THE SHIP!

THE ELEVATOR ISN'T RESPONDING RIGHT! I'M LOSING ALTITUDE!



THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG WITH THIS PLANE! I HAVEN'T A PARACHUTE BUT IF THE AIR PRESSURE FROM THE VACUUM SAVED ME ONCE FROM A HIGH FALL, IT CAN DO IT AGAIN!



HE'S JUMPED OUT! AND WITHOUT A PARACHUTE! I GUESS THAT'S THE END OF THE VACUUM!



HOORAY! MY FALL IS BROKEN! HA-HA! I'VE ESCAPED THEM AGAIN!



NOW I'LL SHOW CRIMEBUSTER AND HIS POLICE FRIENDS A REAL CRIME WAVE!

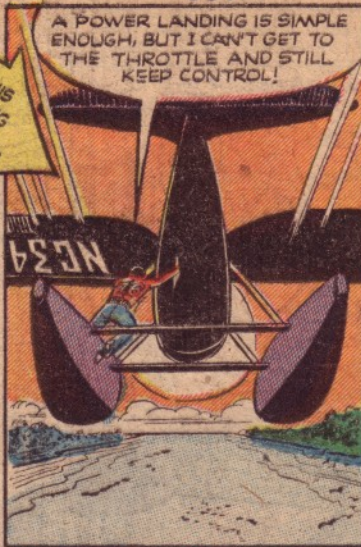


WHEN I GET THROUGH THIS TIME, CRIMEBUSTER WILL BE THE LAUGHING-STOCK OF THE NATION!





AS THE VACUUM MAKES GOOD HIS ESCAPE, CRIMEBUSTER IS PERFORMING THE MOST SKILLFUL FLYING IN AVIATION'S HISTORY—UP TO THIS POINT, THAT IS!



A POWER LANDING IS SIMPLE ENOUGH, BUT I CAN'T GET TO THE THROTTLE AND STILL KEEP CONTROL!



I KNOW! I'LL BEACH IT! IF I KEEP THE STICK BACK SHE MAY NOT NOSE OVER—I HOPE—  
AHH! MADE IT!

THE VERY NEXT DAY, AT LOOVER'S OFFICE...



THERE'S NO DOUBT ABOUT IT! THE VACUUM IS OPERATING AGAIN! A TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLAR PAYROLL ROBBERY HAS JUST BEEN REPORTED! THE MONEY WAS THERE ONE MINUTE—THE NEXT IT VANISHED INTO THE AIR! IT SURE DIDN'T TAKE HIM LONG AFTER HIS ESCAPE TO GET GOING!

MAYBE I HAVE A LEAD...



THIS PHOTO WAS IN THE VACUUM'S WALLET THE DAY WE SEARCHED HIM AT HEADQUARTERS! OBVIOUSLY IT'S HIS GIRL FRIEND! IF WE COULD JUST TRACK HER DOWN, SHE'D LEAD US TO THE VACUUM SOONER OR LATER!

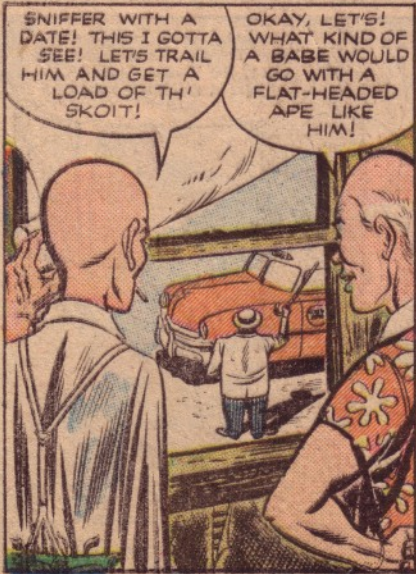
HMM...NOT BAD— BUT I DON'T HOLD OUT MUCH HOPE FOR YOUR FINDING HER! BUT GO AHEAD AND TRY!



OUR SCENE SHIFTS TO THE DEADLY DOZEN!

WHY THE FANCY DRESS, SNIFFER-POIFUME, EVEN! WHAT GIVES?

IF YOU HAFTA KNOW, IT'S ON ACCOUNTA I GOT A DATE WITH A REAL CLASSY DAME! SHE'S A FOIST CLASS INTERLECHUL TYPE!



SNIFFER WITH A DATE! THIS I GOTTA SEE! LET'S TRAIL HIM AND GET A LOAD OF TH' SKOIT!

OKAY, LET'S! WHAT KIND OF A BABE WOULD GO WITH A FLAT-HEADED APE LIKE HIM!



GEE, HONEY! I'M GONNA RENT THIS TABLE BY TH' MONTH JEST SO I CAN WATCH YOU! YOU'RE A REAL CLASSY DAME!

WHAT I LIKE ABOUT YOU IS YOU'RE SO SINCERE, SNIFFER! I'D GO FOR YOU! ONLY I GOT A STEADY BOY FRIEND AND HE'S AWFUL JEALOUS! SO WATCH OUT! HE'S COMIN' IN TO SEE ME TONIGHT!



OH..OH! HERE HE IS... MY BOY FRIEND!

SAAY... HE LOOKS FAMILIAR...





DA DEADLY DOZEN! WHAT A COINCIDENCE! DA VACUUM IS HERE...AN' I GOT A PLAN TO GET HOLD OF THAT CRAZY GIMMICK OF HIS...C'MON INSIDE AN' I'LL GIVE YA A BRIEFIN'! GET YER KNOCKOUT PILLS READY, SATAN!

OKAY, LOVER BOY! BUT WHAT DO YOU WANT THAT CRAZY GADGET FOR?



EXCUSE ME, CHUM! BUT CAN I GET A LIGHT FROM YOU?

YEAH... SURE!

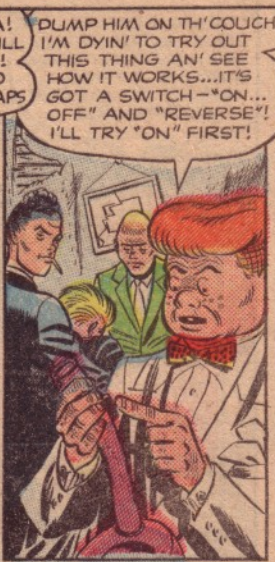


IT'S BEGINNING TO WORK! LOOKIT...HE CAN HARDLY HOLD HIS HEAD UP! HE'LL PASS OUT IN A MINUTE! THEN LEAVE THINGS TO ME!



JUST LOOK AT THAT LUG! IMAGINE PASSIN' OUT ON ME! WHAT AM I GONNA DO! THE SHOW STARTS IN FIVE MINUTES!

I'LL HELP YA, GLORIA! ME AN' MY PALS WILL TAKE CARE OF HIM! I'LL TAKE HIM UP TO MY JOINT TILL HE SNAPS OUT OF IT!



DUMP HIM ON TH' COUCH! I'M DYIN' TO TRY OUT THIS THING AN' SEE HOW IT WORKS...IT'S GOT A SWITCH-"ON" OFF" AND "REVERSE"! I'LL TRY "ON" FIRST!



Y! WHAT A GIZMO! I WONDER WHAT HAPPENS WHEN I PULL TH' SWITCH TH' OTHER WAY!

HEY! WHAT... STOP IT!



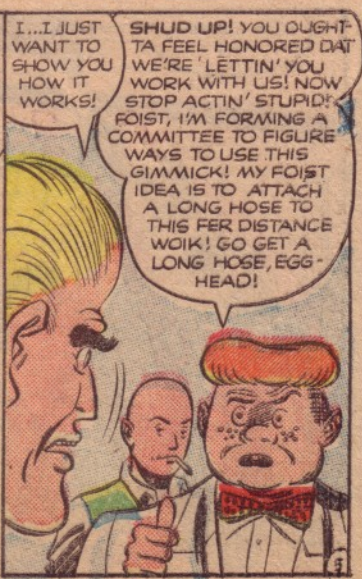
CUT IT OUT, SNIFFER! YA GONNA PUSH US RIGHT THROUGH THE WALL!

OKAY...OKAY! I'LL TURN IT OFF! ANYHOW, I WANT TO TAKE IT APART TO SEE WHAT MAKES IT WORK! IF WE COULD MASS PRODUCE THEM...



NO! DON'T TOUCH IT! YOU'LL NEVER GET IT TOGETHER AGAIN! GIVE IT TO ME!

GET BACK ON THAT COT OR I'LL GIVE YOU A BLAST WITH IT! FROM NOW ON WE'RE SHARING THIS THING, SEE?

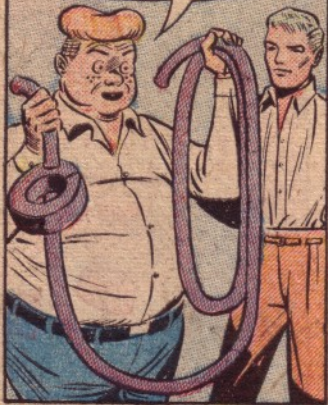


I...I JUST WANT TO SHOW YOU HOW IT WORKS!

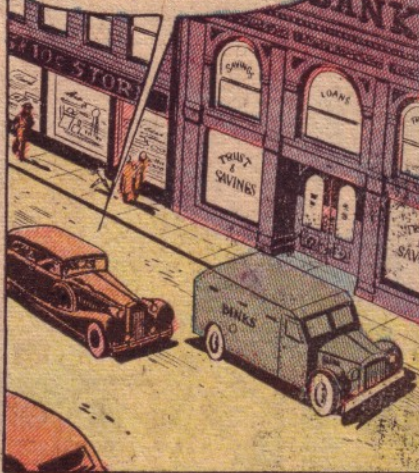
SHUD UP! YOU OUGHTA FEEL HONORED DAT WE'RE 'LETTIN' YOU WORK WITH US! NOW STOP ACTIN' STUPID! FOIST, I'M FORMING A COMMITTEE TO FIGURE WAYS TO USE THIS GIMMICK! MY FOIST IDEA IS TO ATTACH A LONG HOSE TO THIS FER DISTANCE WOIK! GO GET A LONG HOSE, EGG-HEAD!



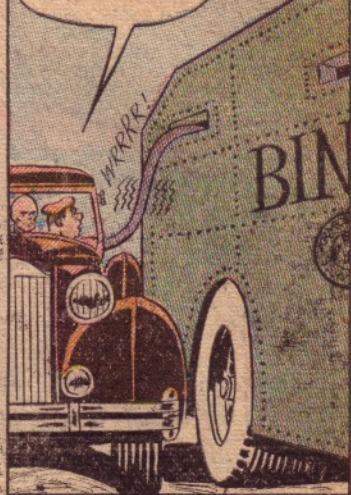
THIS IS GONNA REVOLUTIONIZE THIS OUTFIT OF THE VACUUM'S! WE CAN LIFT A PAYROLL FIFTY FEET AWAY AND AROUND THE CORNER...GREAT IDEA...AIN'T IT? LET'S GO OUT AND GIVE IT A TEST!



WHEN SATAN PULLS ALONGSIDE TH' ARMORED TRUCK YOU SHOVE DA END OF DA HOSE IN TH' GUN SLOT, EGGHEAD!



HERE GOES! I HOPE WE HIT THE JACKPOT!

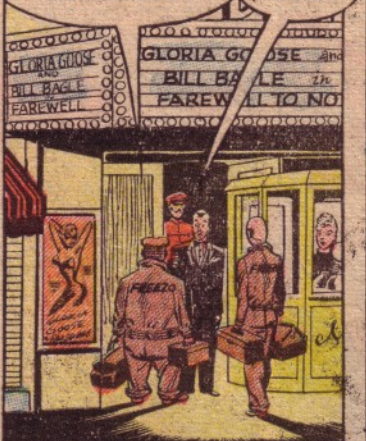


IT'S LIKE STEALIN' CANDY FROM A BABY! NOW LET'S TRY IT ON AN INSIDE JOB! I HAVE A JOB ALL PICKED OUT... THE ORPHEUM THEATER! WE'LL PUT THE HOSE IN THE VENTILATOR OF THE MANAGER'S OFFICE AND WHEN HE STARTS COUNTIN' THE NIGHT'S TAKE, WE'LL THROW THE SWITCH... AN' SWOOSH!



TH' MAIN OFFICE SENT US TO SERVICE YER AIR CONDITIONING UNIT! IT'S A FREE SERVICE TO ALL OUR CUSTOMERS!

OH?...I HADN'T BEEN NOTIFIED, BUT GO AHEAD!



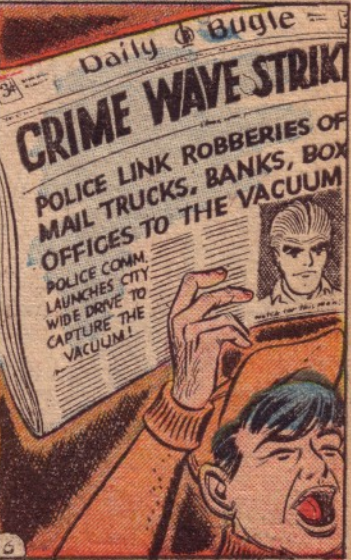
THE CASHIER JUST TOOK TH' MONEY INTO TH' MANAGER'S OFFICE! I GUESS HE'S COUNTIN' IT BY NOW!



IT'S COMIN' FINE...



HOW'S DAT FOR A HAUL? IS DIS A SYSTEM! EVERYONE RUSHES TO WHERE THE DOUGH ONCE WAS, AN' WE AIN'T THERE! DIS IS JEST A START!

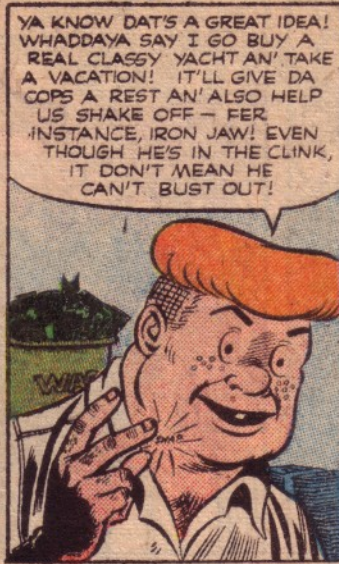






HERE'S TH' HAUL WE MADE TODAY! WHERE WILL I PUT IT?

SEARCH ME! IT'S REACHIN' DA POINT WHERE IT'S CROWDIN' US OUT! POISONALLY I'M GETTIN' SICK OF THE SIGHT OF IT! MAYBE WE OUGHTTA USE SOME OF IT UP!



YA KNOW DAT'S A GREAT IDEA! WHADDAYA SAY I GO BUY A REAL CLASSY YACHT AN' TAKE A VACATION! IT'LL GIVE DA COPS A REST AN' ALSO HELP US SHAKE OFF - FER INSTANCE, IRON JAW! EVEN THOUGH HE'S IN THE CLINK, IT DON'T MEAN HE CAN'T BUST OUT!



I CAN'T GO! MY GIRL JUST PROMISED TO MARRY ME! IT TOOK TWO YEARS TO CONVINCE HER!

SHE CAN COME ALONG! AS CAPTAIN, I CAN MARRY YOU ABOARD! WE'LL LEAVE THIS WEEKEND - IF WE CAN FIND AN EXPENSIVE ENOUGH YACHT!



I'VE FINALLY TRACKED DOWN THAT GIRL FRIEND OF THE VACUUM'S! SHE'S A DANCER AT THE BONGO-BONGO NIGHT CLUB! I'M SURE SHE'LL LEAD US TO THE VACUUM!

I HOPE SO! THE WHOLE POLICE DEPARTMENT IS UNDER FIRE! THE PUBLIC IS DEMANDING ACTION!



GLORIA MELLON? I'M SORRY! SHE QUIT LAST NIGHT! SHE SAID SHE WAS GETTING MARRIED AND GOING ON A LONG CRUISE WITH HER HUSBAND AND HIS BUSINESS ASSOCIATES ON A NEW YACHT! THEY SAIL IN THE MORNING!



STEP ABOARD THE CLASSIEST YACHT AFLOAT! IT'S GOT EVERYTHING! AN' THE BOYS ARE GOING TO ACT AS CREW SO WE WON'T HAVE NO OUTSIDERS SNOOPIN' AROUND!



WE'RE UNDER WAY SO NOW I'M OFFICIALLY CAPTAIN AN' CAN MARRY YOU TWO LOVE BIRDS! EGGHEAD, YOU AN' CRUSHER CAN BE WITNESSES! TH' REST OF YOU GUYS OPERATE DA SHIP!

YOU HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL I CHANGE INTO MY WEDDING DRESS!

HEY, LOOK OUT!

THEY ALMOST HIT US!

THERE MUST BE A MADMAN AT HER HELM! SHE ALMOST CUT US IN TWO!



QUICK! CAST OFF AND HEAD FOR HARBOR! I HAVE A SURE TIP THAT THE VACUUM IS MAKING A GETAWAY ON A YACHT! WE'VE GOT TO PINCH HIM BEFORE HE GETS ON THE HIGH SEAS!





AHOY!  
WATCH  
OUT!

CUT YER WHEEL, SATAN!  
OR WE'LL GET SOCKED  
BY DAT FLOATING  
APARTMENT HOUSE!



DO YOU, GLORIA, TAKE  
THIS MAN...HEY VACUUM,  
WHATCH YER REAL NAME?  
I GOTTA DO THIS  
LEGAL LIKE!



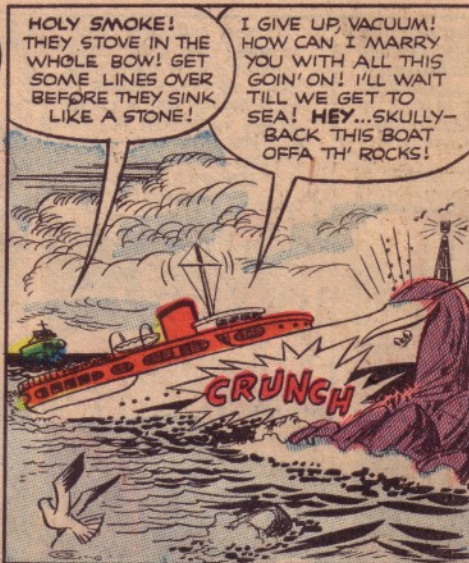
COASTGUARD, CALLING  
COASTGUARD...LARGE  
YACHT IN HARBOR  
ENDANGERING SHIPPING...  
IT APPEARS OUT OF  
CONTROL...PROCEED  
TO TAKE IT UNDER  
CUSTODY AND ESCORT  
IT TO PIER SEVEN!

I'LL BET  
THAT'S  
THE YACHT  
WE'RE  
AFTER!



STARBOARD TH'  
HELM, YA SAP!  
SET THE ENGINES  
FULL REVERSE!

NO...WE'LL  
PASS IT TO  
PORT! LEGGO  
THE  
WHEEL!



HOLY SMOKE!  
THEY STOVE IN THE  
WHOLE BOW! GET  
SOME LINES OVER  
BEFORE THEY SINK  
LIKE A STONE!

I GIVE UP, VACUUM!  
HOW CAN I MARRY  
YOU WITH ALL THIS  
GOIN' ON! I'LL WAIT  
TILL WE GET TO  
SEA! HEY...SKULLY-  
BACK THIS BOAT  
OFFA TH' ROCKS!



THERE HE IS!  
THE VACUUM  
AND SNIFFER,  
TOO! GREAT  
GUNS! THE  
WHOLE DEADLY  
DOZEN! WHAT  
A HAUL!

YOU'RE UNDER  
ARREST FOR  
IMPROPER  
NAVIGATION,  
ENDANGERING  
SHIP-  
PING,  
VIOLATING  
HARBOR  
REGULATIONS!



HEY, SNIFFER!  
THE BOAT IS SINK-  
ING WITH MY  
VACUUM MACHINE  
ABOARD! SAVE IT!  
SAVE IT!

NUTS TO YOUR  
DOO-DAD! I  
GOT ALL I CAN  
DO TO SAVE  
MESELF!



HA, HA, HA, HA, HA, HA! IF IT ISN'T  
MY GOOD FRIENDS, THE DEADLY  
DOZEN--AND THE VACUUM, TOO!  
HO, HO, HO! MAYBE I'LL BE ABLE TO  
EXTERMINATE THE LOT OF YOU  
AFTER ALL!

NOSTRADAMUS MAY  
HAVE PREDICTED MANY  
FUTURE EVENTS BUT  
NOWHERE AMONG HIS  
PROPHECIES WILL YOU  
FIND ANYTHING RELAT-  
ING TO THE MEETING  
OF THE THREE  
STRANGEST UNITS  
OF HUMANITY IN  
THE WORLD...IRON  
JAW, THE VACUUM  
AND THE DEADLY  
DOZEN! DON'T MISS  
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ON YACHT!

The END



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CRIMEBUSTER  
AND SQUEEKS  
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SIMPLY SMITH  
DILLY DUNCAN

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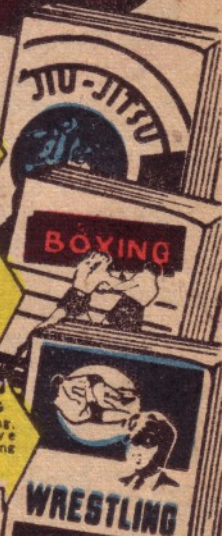
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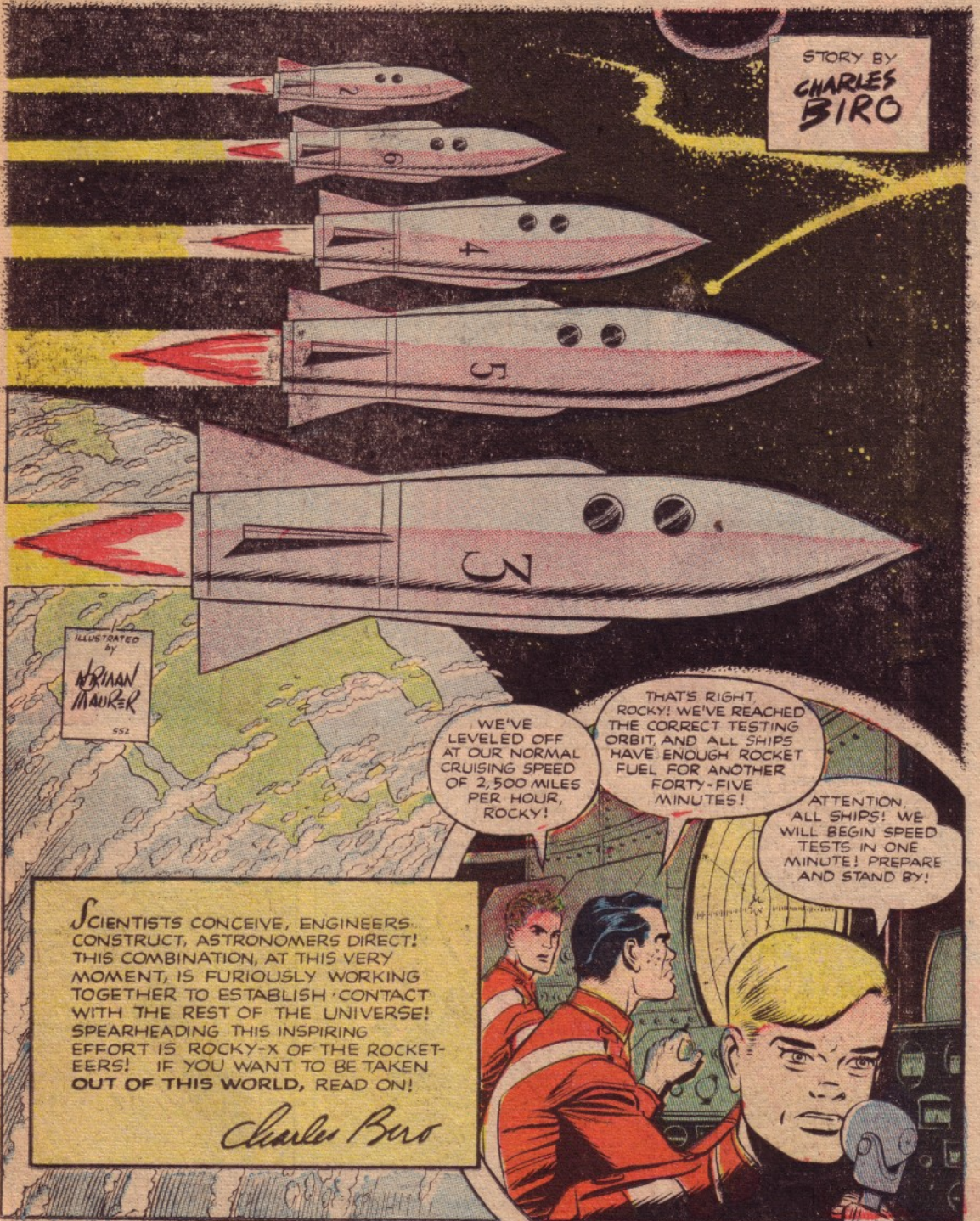


BOY

# ROCKY X

OF THE ROCKETEERS  
in "BETRAYAL IN SPACE"

STORY BY  
CHARLES  
BIRO



ILLUSTRATED BY  
NORMAN  
MAUER  
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WE'VE  
LEVELED OFF  
AT OUR NORMAL  
CRUISING SPEED  
OF 2,500 MILES  
PER HOUR,  
ROCKY!

THAT'S RIGHT,  
ROCKY! WE'VE REACHED  
THE CORRECT TESTING  
ORBIT AND ALL SHIPS  
HAVE ENOUGH ROCKET  
FUEL FOR ANOTHER  
FORTY-FIVE  
MINUTES!

ATTENTION,  
ALL SHIPS! WE  
WILL BEGIN SPEED  
TESTS IN ONE  
MINUTE! PREPARE  
AND STAND BY!

SCIENTISTS CONCEIVE, ENGINEERS CONSTRUCT, ASTRONOMERS DIRECT! THIS COMBINATION, AT THIS VERY MOMENT, IS FURIOUSLY WORKING TOGETHER TO ESTABLISH CONTACT WITH THE REST OF THE UNIVERSE! SPEARHEADING THIS INSPIRING EFFORT IS ROCKY-X OF THE ROCKETEERS! IF YOU WANT TO BE TAKEN OUT OF THIS WORLD, READ ON!

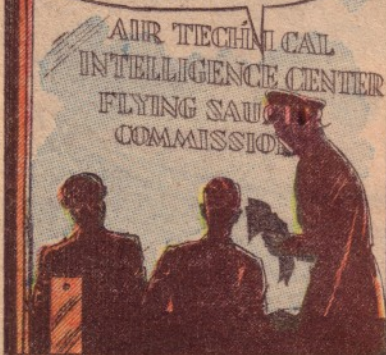
*Charles Biro*





MEANWHILE, AT THE AIR FORCE BASE NEAR THE TESTING GROUNDS...

GENTLEMEN, THE LATEST FLYING SAUCER REPORTS HAVE BEEN INVESTIGATED AND ANALYZED, AND THERE APPEARS TO BE STRONG REASON TO BELIEVE THAT THEY ARE ACTUALLY VISITORS FROM ANOTHER PLANET!



YOU KNOW, OF COURSE, THAT THE MAJORITY OF THEM HAVE BEEN SIGHTED IN THIS GENERAL AREA! ALSO, OUR REPORTS SEEM TO INDICATE THAT LATE AFTERNOON IS THE BEST TIME FOR SPOTTING THEM... FURTHER...

PARDON ME, BUT I JUST REALIZED THAT THE ROCKETEERS ARE TESTING IN THIS AREA! WE'D BETTER CALL DR. LIEBERT AND HAVE HIM WARN THEM TO WATCH OUT FOR SAUCERS! THIS MAY BE OUR CHANCE TO CLEAR UP THE ENTIRE MYSTERY!



WITH THE TESTS WELL UNDERWAY, DR. LIEBERT TAKES TIME OUT FOR LUNCH...

WE GAVE THAT WALTER OUR ORDERS TWENTY MINUTES AGO! IF THAT FOOD DOESN'T COME SOON, I'LL HAVE TO GO BACK TO THE CONTROL ROOM WITHOUT IT!



ATTENTION, PLEASE! WILL DR. FRANK LIEBERT REPORT TO THE ROCKET CONTROL ROOM AT ONCE! THERE IS AN URGENT MESSAGE FOR HIM!



COME ON, CRAIG, HURRY! BUT... BUT... I SAY! WHOOPS!



I'M WITH THE FLYING SAUCER COMMISSION, DR. LIEBERT! WE HAVE REASON TO BELIEVE THAT SAUCERS MAY BE SIGHTED IN THE AREA WHERE THE ROCKETEERS ARE TESTING! PLEASE ALERT THEM... WE'LL BE THERE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!







ATTENTION ALL SHIPS! WE HAVE JUST BEEN INFORMED THAT MYSTERIOUS SHIPS MAY BE SIGHTED IN YOUR TESTING AREA! PLEASE REPORT AND INVESTIGATE ALL STRANGE OBJECTS AT ONCE!

THIS IS ROCKY X IN CUB NUMBER THREE! WE'VE JUST PICKED UP SOMETHING ON OUR RADAR SCREEN, AND ARE INVESTIGATING!

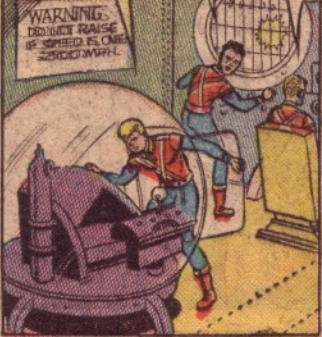
WE CAN'T TELL MUCH FROM THE RADAR PICTURE! I'M GOING UP IN THE OBSERVATION BUBBLE, AND SEE WHAT THIS THING LOOKS LIKE!

WAIT A MINUTE, ROCKY! THAT THING'S ONLY SAFE UP TO 2,500 M.P.H.! WHAT'S OUR SPEED, JERRY?

WAIT, ROCKY! AT THIS SPEED, THE BUBBLE MIGHT BE TORN OFF!

I THINK IT'LL BE OKAY, SIMPLY, BUT YOU'D BETTER CHECK WITH DR. LIEBERT!

JUST OVER 2,700 M.P.H.!



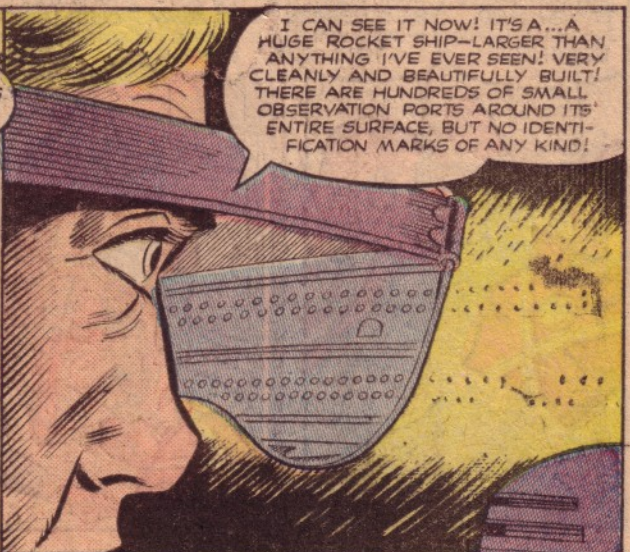
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DR. LIEBERT—WHAT IS THE MAXIMUM SPEED THAT THE BUBBLE CAN WITHSTAND?

IT SHOULD BE SAFE UP TO 3,000 M.P.H.! WE MARKED IT 2,500 TO ALLOW A MARGIN OF SAFETY!

JERRY, PRESS THE BUTTON!



I CAN SEE IT NOW! IT'S A... A HUGE ROCKET SHIP—LARGER THAN ANYTHING I'VE EVER SEEN! VERY CLEANLY AND BEAUTIFULLY BUILT! THERE ARE HUNDREDS OF SMALL OBSERVATION PORTS AROUND ITS ENTIRE SURFACE, BUT NO IDENTIFICATION MARKS OF ANY KIND!



IT'S BLINDING—BRIGHTER THAN ANY ATOMIC BLAST! I'LL SEE IF MY INFRA-RED GLASSES WILL CUT THE GLARE ENOUGH SO THAT I CAN LOOK AT IT!



IT'S BEGINNING TO PULL AWAY FROM US! ALMOST AS IF WE WERE STANDING STILL! YOU'VE GOT TO INCREASE OUR SPEED!

BUT WE'RE DOING 2,850 NOW, ROCKY!

SO WHAT? YOU HEARD ROCKY, DIDN'T YOU?



TAKE OVER FOR A WHILE, JERRY!

LISTEN, ARNOLD! I KNOW DARN WELL THAT LIEBERT WOULDN'T WANT TO RISK ROCKY'S LIFE, I'M GONNA SEE THAT WE DON'T!

TAKE IT EASY, YOU TWO! WE'VE GOT ENOUGH PROBLEMS!



MEANWHILE, IN THE CONTROL TOWER...

BOY

I'VE JUST TALKED WITH THE PENTAGON! THEY WANT US TO KEEP CONTACT WITH THIS OBJECT AND GET ALL THE INFO WE CAN! THE DATA THESE BOYS GET MAY BE VITAL TO THE SAFETY OF THE ENTIRE WORLD!

I'M SORRY, BUT I CAN'T ALLOW THESE SHIPS TO GO OVER 3000 MPH!



YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND, MAN! WE'VE BEEN TRYING TO DISCOVER WHAT THESE THINGS ARE FOR OVER TWO YEARS! WE'VE GOT TO TAKE THE CHANCE!

HE'S RIGHT, FRANK!

I WON'T DO IT! I DON'T CARE WHAT THEY SAY! ROCKY'S LIFE IS MORE IMPORTANT!

WE CAN'T REFUSE, YOU FOOL! THAT'S INSUBORDINATION! WE'VE GOT TO OBEY ORDERS!

ATTENTION, ROCKETEERS! IT IS VITAL THAT CONTACT BE MAINTAINED WITH THE SAUCER! USE MAXIMUM SPEED IF NECESSARY!



I'M SENIOR TO YOU, AND I SAY WE DON'T... UGGGHHH!

OKAY, PUNK! BE STUBBORN IF YOU WANT TO!



IT'S GETTING AWAY! MORE SPEED!

HE'S OUT COLD!

GOOD! I'M GETTING PRETTY FED UP WITH HIM AND ROCKY, ANYHOW! WELL, YOU HEARD YOUR ORDERS - GIVE HER FULL SPEED!



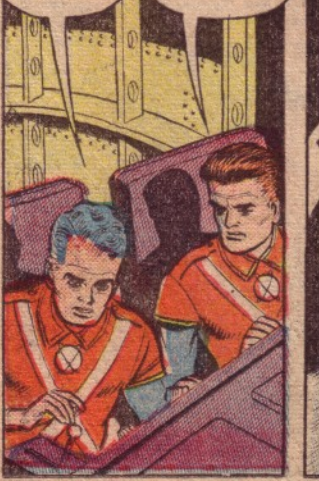
I DON'T THINK THIS BUBBLE CAN STAND MUCH MORE! ...

IT'S STARTING TO VIBRATE PRETTY BADLY!



I'LL RETRACT THE BUBBLE!

KEEP YOUR HANDS OFF THAT BUTTON!



AWFUL SPINNING... CAN'T THINK... COSMIC WHIRLPOOL! LIEBERT WARNED ME... DIZZY... SICK... BLACKING OUT... OOOOOHH!









MEANWHILE... AS ROCKY DRIFTS AIMLESSLY IN SPACE, THE STRANGE SAUCER BEGINS TO CLOSE IN ON HIM...

OHHH — FEELS LIKE I'VE BEEN SPINNING FOR HOURS...HELLO... CONTROL... MY AIR IS GETTING THIN... COUGH...HARD TO BREATHE...CAN YOU HEAR ME?

WE HEAR YOU, ROCKY! DR. LIEBERT IS PREPARING THE MOTHER ROCKET! THEY ARE TAKING OFF AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!

I'LL HAVE THE CUBS TAXI OVER TO THE ROCKET AND YOU START LOADING THEM AT ONCE! WE'LL REFUEL AFTER THEY'RE ABOARD!

HOW DO YOU PLAN TO RESCUE THE BOY, DR. MICHAELS?

WE'LL USE THE HATCH THAT IS NORMALLY USED TO LAUNCH THE CUBS! WE CAN PUT SUCTION ON THE FIRING TUBES AND DRAW THE BUBBLE RIGHT INTO OUR SHIP!

I'VE DECIDED TO GO WITH THEM, CRAIG, SO YOU TAKE OVER THE CONTROL TOWER! AS SOON AS I GIVE YOU THE SIGNAL, BLAST OFF!

ALL RIGHT! GOOD LUCK!

AFTER CONTROL ROOM SPEAKING! THE CUBS ARE ALL LOADED AND SECURED FOR THE TAKE OFF!

EXCELLENT! HELLO, CONTROL TOWER! WE'RE READY FOR THE BLAST-OFF!

CAN YOU PICK UP ROCKY, YET...WHAT'S THAT? HOW LONG HAS THAT OBJECT BEEN THERE?

I DON'T KNOW, DR. LIEBERT! THE SET JUST GOT WARMED UP! IT'S SOMETHING PRETTY BIG!

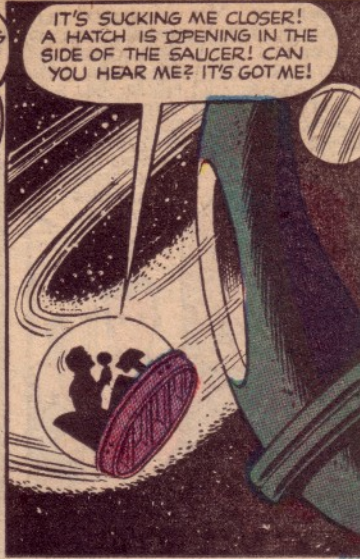
HELLO! CAN YOU HEAR ME? COUGH... THE SAUCER HAS COME BACK, AND IT'S CIRCLING AROUND ME! IT HAS STOPPED GLOWING AND IS CLOSING IN ON ME!



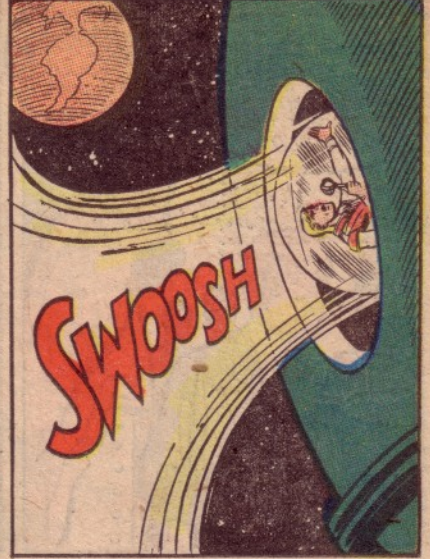


HE'S GONE!  
ROCKY'S SHIP  
HAS DISAPPEARED!  
THAT THING HAS  
SWALLOWED  
HIM UP!

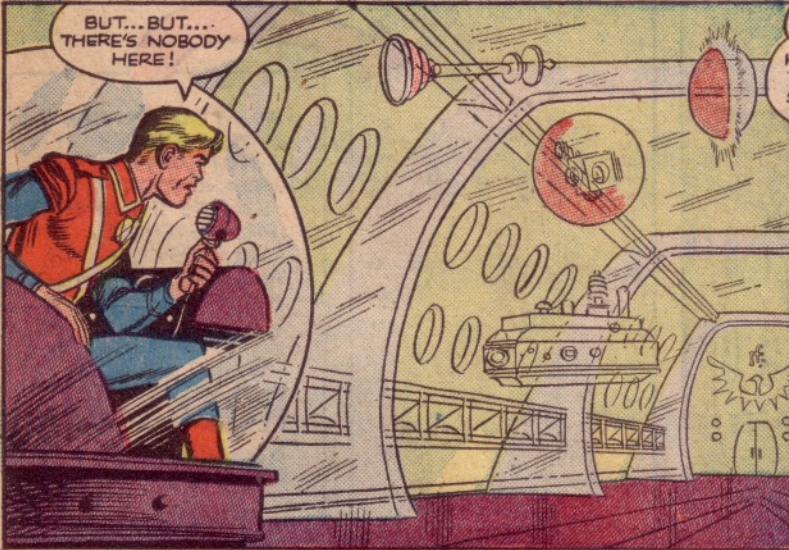
DR. LIEBERT!  
WE'RE RECEIVING  
A VERY WEAK  
SIGNAL FROM  
ROCKY-X! HE  
REPORTS THAT  
THE SAUCER IS  
TAKING HIM  
ABOARD!



IT'S SUCKING ME CLOSER!  
A HATCH IS OPENING IN THE  
SIDE OF THE SAUCER! CAN  
YOU HEAR ME? IT'S GOT ME!



SWOOSH

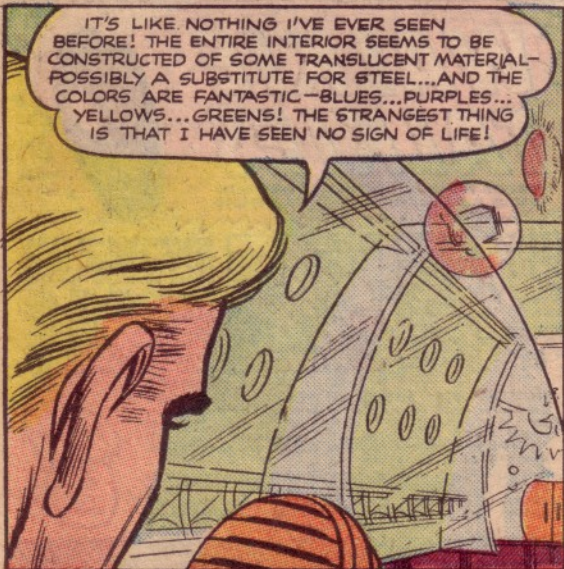


BUT...BUT...  
THERE'S NOBODY  
HERE!



HELLO,  
CONTROL!  
HELLO, CONTROL!  
I AM INSIDE THE  
SAUCER! CAN YOU  
HEAR ME?

VERY WEAKLY,  
ROCKY! THIS IS  
DR. LIEBERT IN  
THE MOTHER  
ROCKET! WE  
HAVE THE SAUCER  
ON OUR RADAR  
SCREEN AND ARE  
CLOSING TOWARD  
YOU AS RAPIDLY AS  
POSSIBLE! WHAT  
IS IT LIKE?



IT'S LIKE NOTHING I'VE EVER SEEN  
BEFORE! THE ENTIRE INTERIOR SEEMS TO BE  
CONSTRUCTED OF SOME TRANSLUCENT MATERIAL—  
POSSIBLY A SUBSTITUTE FOR STEEL...AND THE  
COLORS ARE FANTASTIC—BLUES...PURPLES...  
YELLOW...GREENS! THE STRANGEST THING  
IS THAT I HAVE SEEN NO SIGN OF LIFE!



TURN  
UP THE  
VOLUME!

IT'S THE BEST I  
CAN DO, DOCTOR!  
HIS SIGNAL IS  
GROWING WEAKER  
EVERY MINUTE!

I HEAR OBJECTS  
MOVING ACROSS  
THE HANGAR DECK  
BUT NOTHING IS  
MOVING THEM! AND  
I CAN HEAR NO  
SOUNDS—ONLY A  
DEATHLY QUIET!  
IT'S ALMOST LIKE I  
WAS DREAMING...





WHATEVER THIS THING IS, IT'S OBVIOUSLY FRIENDLY! IT DIDN'T ATTACK THE CUBS, AND IT WASN'T HARMED ROCKY! BUT THAT'S ALL WE KNOW!

WE'RE GETTING FAIRLY NEAR, DR. LIEBERT, THE PILOT WOULD LIKE TO TALK TO YOU!



MAYBE IT'S FRIENDLY, AND MAYBE IT'S JUST CURIOUS! IT PROBABLY JUST WANTS TO LOOK ROCKY OVER BEFORE IT KILLS HIM!

I WARNED YOU BEFORE, ARNOLD, AND I'M WARNING YOU AGAIN! I STILL HOLD YOU RESPONSIBLE FOR ROCKY'S TROUBLE, AND I'M GOING TO FIX YOU FOR ANYTHING THAT HAPPENS TO HIM!



WHY DON'T YOU CUT IT OUT, SIMPY? YOU'RE NOT GONNA FIX ANYBODY, AND YOU KNOW IT!

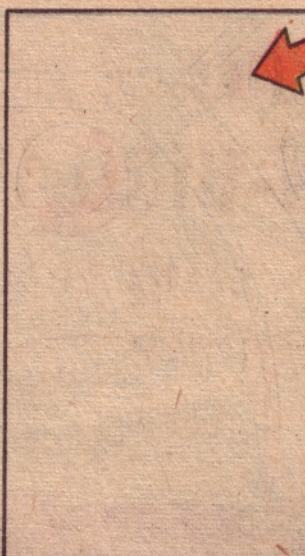
YOU'RE QUITE A KIDDER, SIMPY!

I THINK THE LITTLE CRUMB REALLY MEANS IT! I'LL HAVE TO GET HIM FIRST!



THERE'S NOTHING HERE! NOBODY! WHO'S RUNNING THIS SHIP? WHERE ARE THEY? WHAT KIND OF MEN CAN THEY BE?

MEN? MAYBE THEY AREN'T MEN AT ALL! BUT WHAT ARE THEY?



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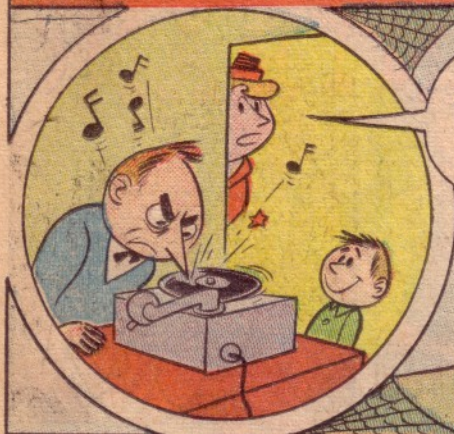
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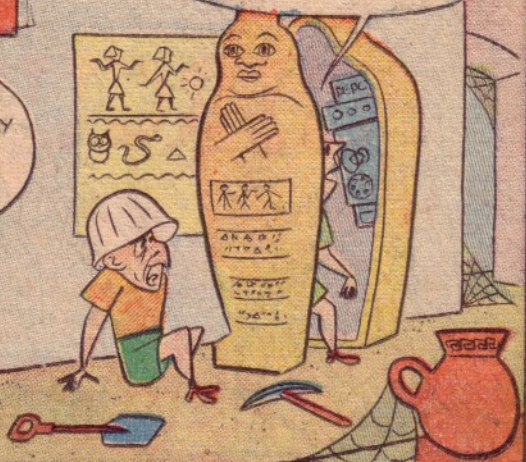


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BEAR UP, DEAR! IT'S ONLY UNTIL I GET NEW NEEDLES!

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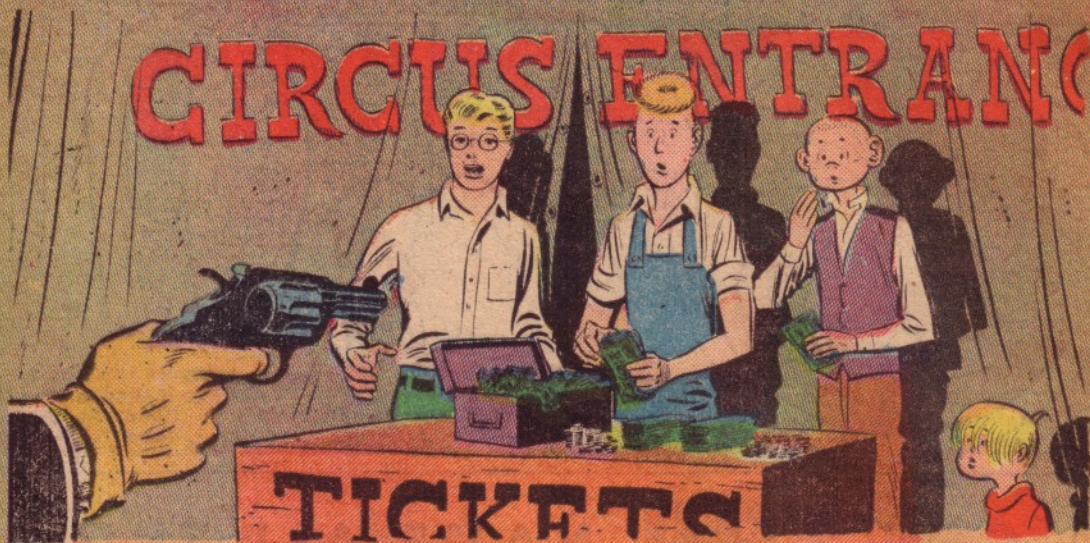
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WATCH FOR THIS SEAL!



# The Doctor Gets His Medicine



The persistent rapping at the door of the barn brought Scarecrow to his feet. He walked to the door, opened it and there in the darkness stood a middle aged man.

"How do you do," the man greeted him warmly. "You must be Scarecrow."

"Er, ah, yes, I'm Scarecrow," replied Scarecrow in confusion.

"I'm Dr. Daly from New York. I was told in town that the most enterprising young men of the town were the Wise Guys," continued the man.

"Why, er, yes. I mean, won't you come in, Dr. Daly?" said Scarecrow.

"Thank you, I will," answered the doctor as he walked into the barn.

Jock, Curly and Slugger looked up in surprise as the distinguished looking man came into the barn. The three Wise Guys got up as Scarecrow introduced them to Dr. Daly. The doctor settled down in the chair which Slugger had offered and proceeded to tell the Wise Guys his plan.

"I've been sent to this town from the Children's Hospital in New York," the doctor explained, "to encourage and interest citizens in building a hospital or at least starting a children's clinic here. After speaking to the Mayor and some of your leading citizens, I was told that the Wise Guys were the most ingenious money raisers of the town. They all told me to talk to you about this project."

Scarecrow's chest swelled with pride, Slugger looked like he'd pop the buttons off his shirt, Curly and Jock looked embarrassingly modest.

"So," interrupted Scarecrow, "you want us to think of some way to raise money to get the hospital started?"

"You're exactly right," answered the doctor. "I can see that I've come to the right people."

"Well," said Slugger, "we might have a soap box derby."

"That's a good idea," answered the Doctor.

"Or a circus," added Curly.

"Or a rummage sale," mused Jock.

"Or we could sell chances on something," added Scarecrow.

After much enthusiastic conversation, the Wise Guys decided that a circus would be the most fun. Dr. Daly urged them on in their ideas and seemed to agree that a circus was probably the best money making scheme. Dr. Daly consumed several cups of coffee, then finally bid the Wise Guys good night.

"We'd better get busy first thing tomorrow," said Jock. "We have to decide when this will be, then we'll have posters to make and to put up around school."

"I think we'll need about two weeks to get going," offered Scarecrow.

"The longer we have, the more tickets we'll sell," added Slugger.

"I think we can get Jerry to do his ventriloquist act," said Curly.

"And I'm going to practice sword swallowing," said Scarecrow.

"I can dress up as the fat lady," giggled Slugger. "Maybe Jock can tell fortunes."

"Hey," said Jock in a startled voice, "we don't even know how to get in touch with Dr. Daly!"

"That's right," answered the astonished Scarecrow. "But he'll keep in touch with us."

The Wise Guys finally fell into bed with plans for the circus running through their



heads. The next day they got busy making posters, lining up the acts and concessions and the circus was under way. True to Scarecrow's prediction, Dr. Daly came again the next night to see how they were getting along. However, the doctor said he had to go back to New York the next day but would leave all the plans in the hands of the Wise Guys; then would return the day of the circus.

The day of the circus approached rapidly. The Wise Guys were so busy that their school work was neglected. Posters were made and hung all over town and in the school. One day Scarecrow took some posters down to the courthouse. As he trudged through the hall he almost ran into Mayor Creston who was standing talking to another man. As they saw Scarecrow they abruptly stopped their conversation and halted Scarecrow.

"Hello, Scarecrow," greeted the Mayor, "I hear you're having a circus."

"Yes," answered Scarecrow. "I was just bringing some posters to advertise it."

"Now this is to raise money for a children's hospital, is it not?" queried the Mayor.

"Yes, Dr. Daly from New York gave us the idea," answered Scarecrow enthusiastically. "I'm glad you sent him to us after he spoke to you about it."

"Oh, yes," muttered the Mayor. "Is Dr. Daly still in town?"

"No," answered Scarecrow, "he was called back to New York but he'll be here on Saturday."

"And the circus is to be on Saturday?" asked the Mayor, as he looked knowingly at his companion. Scarecrow suddenly realized the other man was Chief of Police Morgan.

"Yes," answered Scarecrow. "It will be at the barn. We'll have a sword swallower, ventriloquist, fat lady, everything!"

"We'll be there," concluded the Mayor, again looking knowingly at the policeman.

The Saturday of the circus finally dawned. The barn was completely transformed into a fun house. Tents were set up on the grounds. Slugger strapped pillow after pillow around himself and was soon unrecognizable as the fat lady. Scarecrow had given up practicing the sword swallowing as he was too busy with the other details of the circus so that concessions had to be scratched from the list. Scarecrow was finally relegated to the parking lot to take care of the traffic as the townspeople drove in. Jock and Curly took charge of collecting money and issuing tickets. Everything was in order except that Dr. Daly had not appeared.

Throngs of people drove out to the barn and they swarmed all over the grounds. Jock and Curly took in so much money they began to worry about what to do with it. Jock breathed a sigh of relief when he saw Police Chief Morgan enter with the Mayor late in the afternoon. Everyone was enthusiastic about the circus and whether it was because it was such a good circus or whether it was the idea of starting a hospital, the Wise Guys never knew. Jock and Curly were so busy taking in money that they could concentrate on nothing else.

"Curly," whispered Jock, "we must have several hundred dollars here."

"Several is right," answered Curly, "I bet we have almost a thousand!"

"That's a lot of money," mused Jock, "but hardly enough to start building a hospital with."

"Did I hear you say a thousand?" queried a familiar voice.

"Well, Dr. Daly," greeted Jock as he looked up from the cash box. "Glad to see you. Looks like this is a real success."

"Glad to hear it boys. You've done a fine job," said the affable doctor. "I'm sorry I didn't get here earlier but my train was late. Looks like the crowd is thinning out now."

"I guess it is," answered Jock, "and it's nice to have a breather."

The crowd had almost all left the grounds and Jock and Curly were quite alone at the entrance. Curly and Jock both leaned back to relax for a moment after almost two hours of concentrated work. Dr. Daly leaned over the desk and talked quietly to them. Suddenly, before Jock and Curly knew what was happening, Dr. Daly had grabbed the cash box with one hand and held a gun in the other.

"All right, boys. One peep out of you and I'll shoot. All I want is the cash and not a word out of you!"

Jock and Curly were so surprised that there was nothing they could do but stare in amazement at "Dr. Daly" as he eased the cash box toward himself, stuffed his pockets with money and started to back away, still keeping the boys covered.

"Ha, ha," laughed the 'doctor', "Children's Hospital! What a bunch of suckers you were and the whole town too. Ha, ha!"

The doctor's laugh was interrupted by a voice from behind Jock and Curly. "Drop that gun, Daly. You're covered and you're under arrest."

Daly was so startled that the gun and cash fell from his hands as he looked over the heads of Jock and Curly into the steely eyes of Police Chief Morgan who slipped quickly around the two boys, swiftly handcuffed the "doctor" and pointed his gun into Daly's back.

"We were on to your racket," said Morgan. "We let the boys go ahead because we knew this would be the best way to catch you red-handed. If you hadn't pulled this stunt so many times before you might have gotten away with it. But this was once too often. We did plenty of checking on you."

Daly looked chagrined and seemed to shrink in his well-cut clothes. Morgan led him off to a waiting police car just as the Mayor approached.

"Well, boys, good work," congratulated the Mayor. "You've not only run a wonderful circus but you've helped us capture a criminal with a record a mile long"

Jock and Curly were still speechless and dumbfounded. "Bbbbut," stammered Jock, "what about the Children's Hospital?"

"Why," chuckled the Mayor, "there can still be a children's hospital. We have a long way to go but this is a very good start. You boys couldn't have picked a better cause. There's nothing the town needs more and we'll have it — you'll see."

THE END



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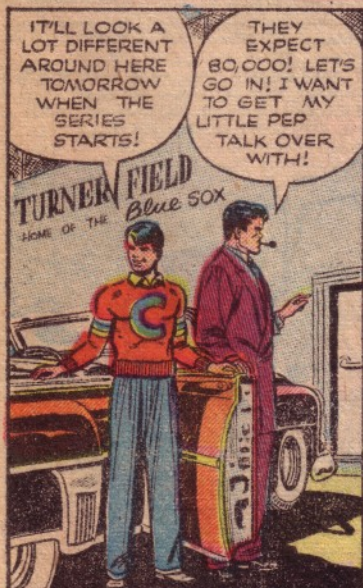
in "NIX ON THE FIX"



OF ALL OUR HUMAN FAILINGS, THE MOST CRUEL IS OUR READINESS TO CONDEMN THE ENTIRE MEMBERSHIP OF A GROUP FOR THE CRIME OR SINS OF A FEW OF ITS MEMBERS! AN ENTIRE POLICE FORCE, PROUD OF AN INFINITE NUMBER OF HEROIC ACTIONS, CAN BE BESMIRCHED BY THE VILLAINY OF EVEN ONE OFFICER! BASKETBALL, ONE OF THE MOST POPULAR SPORTS IN THE NATION, MAY NEVER TOTALLY RE-

COVER FROM THE DISGRACE BROUGHT UPON IT BY A FEW GRAFTERS! IT IS NO EASY TASK TO KEEP ANY SPORT FREE FROM THIS INFECTION! YET, THE FACT THAT IT CAN BE DONE IS PROVEN BY A MOST BELOVED SPORT—BASEBALL! CRIMEBUSTER, AS YOU WILL SEE, HELPS KEEP IT THAT WAY!

*Charles Birg*





GENTLEMEN, THERE'S A LOT OF MONEY BET ON THIS SERIES, AND SOME OF YOU MAY BE APPROACHED TO THROW GAMES! WE WANT TO SHOW THESE CROOKS THAT BASEBALL'S TOO BIG FOR THEM TO FIX!

I'M SURE YOU CAN COUNT ON MY BOYS, MR. LOOVER!

IF ANY OF YOU ARE APPROACHED, I WANT YOU TO PRETEND TO CO-OPERATE, AND THEN REPORT EVERYTHING TO ME AT ONCE! FIND OUT ALL YOU CAN ABOUT THEM, BUT DON'T AROUSE THEIR SUSPICIONS! ANY QUESTIONS?

YOU DON'T NEED TO WORRY ABOUT TONY, MR. LOOVER! THEY HAVEN'T GOT ENOUGH DOUGH TO BRIBE HIM!

RICH TONY HASN'T SPENT A NICKEL SINCE 1945! RIGHT, TONY?

DON'T MIND THESE COMEDIANS, MR. LOOVER! THEY DON'T UNDERSTAND A GUY WHO SAVES HIS MONEY!



MEANWHILE, IN THE BACK OF A MID-TOWN BARBER SHOP...



BOY, IS BOOKING A DEAD RACKET!

YOU SAID IT! I COULDN'T GET A BET THAT THE SUN'S COMING UP!

SO WHAT! US LITTLE GAMBLERS MAY BE SCARED, BUT THERE'S STILL A LOT OF THE BIG BOYS THAT WANT TO BET... AND THEY'RE NUTS ABOUT BASEBALL!



BASEBALL? HOW CAN YOU FIGURE THOSE BALL GAMES?

WE DON'T HAVE TO FIGURE 'EM! ALL WE HAVE TO DO IS FIX ONE TEAM, AND THEN TAKE ALL THE BETS WE CAN ON THE OTHER ONE!

WHY DON'T WE JUST SNATCH ONE OF THE STARS, AND HOLD HIM FOR A HUNDRED GRAND OR SO? LET'S MAKE SOME BIG DOUGH WHILE WE'RE AT IT!



KIDNAPPING'S A REAL SUCKER'S DEAL! YOU JUST GOT OUTTA STIR FOR PULLING A SNATCH, DIDN'T YOU? IN CASE YOU HAVEN'T HEARD, THEY'RE GIVING GUYS THE CHAIR FOR IT NOW!

LISTEN, CLEMSON, IF YOU'RE YELLOW, JUST SAY SO!



YOU ASKED FOR THIS, FATES! I'M RUNNING THIS OUTFIT, AND I'M NOT TAKING ANY GUFF FROM YOU!

CRACK!



JUST IN CASE YOU WEREN'T CONVINCED...

...AND UNLESS YOU'VE GOT ANY MORE COMMENTS, WE'LL DO IT MY WAY!



THE MAN TO TRY FIRST IS THEIR CAPTAIN, TONY COLUCCI! ZIGGY... YOU AND EVANS TAIL HIM TOMORROW MORNING! TRY TO TALK TO HIM WHERE YOU WON'T BE OVERHEARD! IF HE DOESN'T COOPERATE, LET ME KNOW, AND WE'LL TRY SOMEBODY ELSE! AND NO ROUGH STUFF!

OKAY, BOSS!



THE NEXT MORNING...

THAT'S HIM, ALL RIGHT! I SEEN HIM ON TELEVISION!

HEY, COLUCCI! IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN A LITTLE EXTRA DOUGH, WE'VE GOT A PROPOSITION FOR YOU!

WHAT'S THE DEAL?

I'VE GOT A FRIEND WHO'S BET A LOT OF DOUGH ON YOUR OPPONENTS IN THE SERIES! IF YOU COULD FIX IT SO HE'D WIN, HE'D BE MIGHTY GRATEFUL—TWENTY-FIVE GRAND WORTH!

WHAT DO I HAVE TO DO?

THAT'S THE WAY TO TALK! JUST MAKE SOME ERRORS WHEN THEY'LL HURT, AND DON'T GET THE HITS WHEN THEY NEED 'EM!

I CAN'T REFUSE TWENTY-FIVE GRAND! HOW CAN I REACH YOU GUYS IF ANYTHING GOES WRONG?

DON'T WORRY ABOUT THAT, PAL! WE'LL CALL YOU!

I DIDN'T THINK THEY'D GIVE ME AN ADDRESS! WELL, MAYBE THE LICENSE NUMBER WILL DO JUST AS WELL!

I'D BETTER CALL CONNIE BEFORE I REPORT TO LOOVER!

I KNOW YOU'RE DOING THE RIGHT THING, HONEY, BUT BE CAREFUL!

I'LL BE OKAY, CONNIE, BUT YOU AND JOEY MIGHT BE IN DANGER IF THEY FIND OUT THAT I PUT THE FINGER ON THEM! WHY DON'T YOU GO OVER TO MRS. PARKER'S!... OKAY, I'LL BE HOME RIGHT AFTER THE GAME!

HELLO, TONY! WHAT'S UP?

IT HAPPENED LIKE YOU SAID, MR. LOOVER! TWO MEN CONTACTED ME ABOUT AN HOUR AGO, AND OFFERED ME \$25,000 TO THROW THE SERIES!

I DIDN'T FIND OUT MUCH, BUT I DID GET THEIR LICENSE NUMBER!

NICE GOING! IF EVERYBODY CO-OPERATED THIS WAY, WE'D CLEAN UP THE RACKETEERS IN NO TIME!

I'LL HAVE A POLICE CAR TAKE YOU OVER TO THE PARK, TONY, AND I'LL MEET YOU AFTER THE GAME! YOU'LL HAVE TO BE CAREFUL!

HELLO, VEHICLE LICENSE BUREAU? WILL YOU TRACE LICENSE NUMBER NV-1186! CALL ME AT LOOVER'S OFFICE!

CASSIDY, HAVE THE BOYS PICK UP THIS CAR AND TELL THEM TO CALL ME AS SOON AS THEY HAVE ANYTHING!



MEANWHILE, THE GAMBLERS GATHER TO WATCH THE RESULTS OF THEIR HANDIWORK...

THAT'S ABOUT AS CLEAR AS I CAN GET IT, BOSS!

IT'S OKAY! LOOK—COLUCCI'S UP NEXT! KEEP YOUR EYES ON THAT SCREEN, FATES, AN' WATCH A REAL FIX IN ACTION!

YEAH—YEAH—I'LL BELIEVE IT WHEN I STICK THE DOUGH IN MY POCKET!

A TWO BAGGER! HE'S FIXED, ALL RIGHT!

YOU DON'T EXPECT A .380 HITTER TO STRIKE OUT EVERY TIME DO YOU? I TOLD HIM TO MAKE IT LOOK GOOD!

YOU'VE TRACED IT? OKAY, YEAH, ZIGGY MALONE, HUH? THANKS A LOT!

ZIGGY MALONE? HE ISN'T BIG ENOUGH TO PULL A JOB LIKE THIS! I WONDER WHO HE'S WORKING FOR?

HARD TO TELL! MOST OF THE BIG BUMS ARE OUT OF TOWN!

SQUAD CAR NUMBER 14 JUST CALLED IN, SIR! THEY'VE PICKED UP THAT CAR YOU WANTED!

GOOD! HAVE THEM BROUGHT IN FOR QUESTIONING!

MEANWHILE, THE GAME PROGRESSES...

HE'S SURE MAKING IT LOOK GOOD! TWO OUT AND THE BASES LOADED, AN' HE JUMPS FIVE FEET IN THE AIR TO GRAB A LINE DRIVE! I'D HATE TO SEE HIM WHEN HE'S REALLY TRYING!

HE'LL BE SORRY IF HE'S PULLIN' SOMETHIN'! HE BATS NEXT INNING! LET'S SEE WHAT HAPPENS!

HOLY SMOKE! A HOMER WITH TWO ABOARD!

THAT LOUSY PUNK! HE IS PULLIN' A CROSS!

I'LL FIX HIM! A GOOD WORKIN' OVER OUGHT TO TEACH HIM! A LESSON!

OKAY, HE'S GOT IT COMING!

THIS IS MY CHANCE TO SNATCH COLUCCI WITH HIM ON ICE, I CAN GET OUR TWENTY FIVE G'S BACK, AND FIFTY THOUSAND BESIDES!

NOT REALIZING TONY'S DANGER CRIMEBUSTER QUESTIONS ZIGGY MALONE...

I DON'T KNOW NOTHING ABOUT ANY BRIBE! WHAT ARE YOU GUYS TALKIN' ABOUT?

IT'S NO USE, MALONE! YOU CAN'T GET OUT OF THIS! MAYBE YOU HAVEN'T HEARD ABOUT THE NEW PENALTIES FOR BRIBING ATHLETES! DIDN'T YOU READ ABOUT THE BASKETBALL FIXERS?

PLAY BALL WITH US, MALONE, AND WE'LL DO ALL WE CAN FOR YOU! REFUSE TO COOPERATE, AND WE'LL THROW THE BOOK AT YOU!

OKAY, OKAY! I'M NOT PLAYING THE PATSY FOR STEVE CLEMANSON! I'LL TELL YOU WHAT WE KNOW!





WE'D BETTER PUT A TAP ON THAT GAMBLING JOINT'S TELEPHONE, LOOVER!

I'LL TAKE CARE OF IT, CRIME-BUSTER... THE GAME'S ALMOST OVER... YOU'D BETTER GO PICK UP TONY! HE MAY BE IN DANGER!



MEANWHILE, WITH TWO OUT IN THE NINTH...

NICE PLAY, TONY! THAT'S WRAPPING UP THE OLD BALL GAME!



NICE GAME, TONY! HEY, WHAT'S THE MATTER?

I'VE GOT TO CALL CONNIE!

HAVEN'T YOU BOUGHT YOUR WIFE A T.V. SET, TONY?



NO ANSWER! SOMETHING MUST'VE HAPPENED TO HER! I'D BETTER GET OUT THERE RIGHT AWAY!



HELLO, MR. COLUCCI! KIN WE HAVE YOUR AUTOGRAPH?

SORRY, BUT I HAVEN'T GOT TIME! SEE ME AFTER THE GAME TOMORROW!



IN THAT CASE, PAL, HOW ABOUT OUR AUTOGRAPH!

THAT COOLED HIM OFF! C'MON! AL, LET'S HEIST HIM' OUTTA HERE FAST!

UGH!



CONGRATULATIONS, MR. WOLFE! TONY SURE PLAYED A GREAT GAME, DIDN'T HE? WHERE IS HE?

I'M AFRAID YOU'RE TOO LATE, CRIME-BUSTER! TONY LEFT RIGHT AFTER THE GAME! DIDN'T EVEN STOP TO TAKE A SHOWER!



HE COULDN'T BE HOME, YET, SO THERE'S NO USE CALLING HIM! I'D BETTER GO BACK TO LOOVER'S OFFICE AND SEE WHAT WE'VE LEARNED FROM THE WIRE TAP!



PICK UP ANY-THING, MARTIN?

NOT MUCH, CRIMEBUSTER! THEY'VE TAKEN SEVERAL HEAVY BETS ON THE BLUE SOX, BUT NOTHING ELSE!

THERE'S A CALL FOR YOU, CRIME-BUSTER! I THINK IT'S TONY'S WIFE!





THEY'VE GOT TONY! I WAS AT THE NEIGHBOR'S ALL AFTERNOON, AND JUST AS I GOT HOME THEY PHONED! THEY SAY I'VE GOT TO PAY \$75,000, OR I'LL NEVER SEE HIM AGAIN!

DON'T WORRY, MRS. COLUCCI! WE KNOW WHERE THEY'VE GOT HIM! AND WE'RE GOING OUT TO PICK THEM UP NOW! WE'LL HAVE TONY BACK IN A FEW HOURS!



I DON'T UNDERSTAND THIS, LOOVER! I THOUGHT THESE MEN WERE GAMBLERS. - NOT KIDNAPPERS!

COME HERE, CRIME-BUSTER! I'M GETTING SOMETHING!



I CHANGED OUR PLANS, CLEMSON! WE SNATCHED COLUCCI, AND WE'RE HOLDING HIM FOR RANSOM! HE'S GOT LOTS OF CASH! IF YOU WANT, WE'LL CUT YOU IN!

WHAT? YOU'VE KIDNAPPED HIM? WELL... MAYBE THAT WAS A GOOD IDEA AFTER ALL! WHERE HAVE YOU GOT HIM?



YOUR SISTER'S PLACE, HUH? YEAH... TWO... TWENTY-EIGHT, GROVELAND AVENUE! OKAY, I'LL BE THERE!

IF THAT CRUMMY PUNK THINKS HE'S TAKING OVER, HE'S GOT ANOTHER THINK COMING!



WE'D BETTER TAKE A GOOD MANY MEN! THERE'S NO TELLING WHAT WILL RUN INTO!

I'LL HAVE THEM MEET US DOWNSTAIRS! WE'LL GO RIGHT BY THEIR GAMBLING PLACE, AND WE CAN DROP OFF A SQUAD TO PICK UP WHOEVER'S THERE!



WITH HIS HEAD START, THE ANGRY CLEMSON ARRIVES FIRST!

TWO TWENTY-EIGHT! THAT'S IT!



I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT ADMIRE A LITTLE INITIATIVE, CLEMSON! I'VA GONNA MAKE US 75 GRAND!

I DIDN'T WANT ANY SNATCH AND YOU KNEW IT! YOU'VE GONE TOO FAR, FATES!



GET UP YOU SKUNK! I'M FIXING YOU FOR GOOD THIS TIME!

TAKE YOUR HANDS OFF ME, CLEMSON! I'M WARNING YOU!



OKAY, CLEMSON! YOU WANTED TO KNOW WHO WAS RUNNING THINGS! I'LL SHOW YOU!

PUT THAT GUN AWAY! HAVE YOU LOST YOUR MIND?



THERE'S ONLY ROOM FOR ONE BOSS IN THIS OUTFIT, CLEMSON, AND IT'S NOT GOING TO BE YOU!

**POW!**

AL! THE COPS! HUNDREDS OF 'EM! THEY'RE COMING HERE!

CRIPES! WE DON'T HAVE A CHANCE AGAINST THEM! GET CLEMSON'S BODY IN THE OTHER ROOM! I'LL UNTIE COLUCCI!

THIS WASHES YOU UP, FATES!

LISTEN, COLUCCI, AND LISTEN GOOD! MY MEN HAVE THEIR INSTRUCTIONS TO KILL YOUR WIFE IF ANYTHING GOES WRONG! IF YOU WANT TO SEE HER AGAIN, YOU TELL THE COPS YOU CAME HERE VOLUNTARILY!

I CAN'T TAKE A CHANCE THAT HE'S LYING!

OH-KAY! OH-KAY! I'LL DO WHAT YOU SAY!

DON'T MOVE, ANYBODY!

TONY! THANK HEAVENS YOU'RE OKAY!

ARREST THESE MEN FOR KIDNAPPING!

I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU MEAN, CRIMEBUSTER! THESE MEN ARE FRIENDS OF MINE!

ARE YOU KID-DING?

YOU HEARD HIM! LISTEN BOY SCOUT! THIS IS MY HOME! UNLESS YOU'VE GOT A WARRANT, GET OUT OF HERE!

WE KNOW THESE MEN KIDNAPPED YOU, TONY! WHY ARE YOU LYING?

YOU'VE GOT TO BELIEVE ME, CRIME-BUSTER!

LISTEN, CRIME-BUSTER! IT SOUNDS LIKE SQUEEK HAS FOUND SOMETHING!

SQUEEK! SQUEEK!

THIS MAN'S DEAD! OKAY, FATES, SPILL IT!

WE'VE PICKED UP THE REST OF YOUR GANG, FATES! THERE'S NO USE PLAYING THIS DUMB... WE'VE GOT YOU, BUT GOOD!

YOU MEAN YOU'VE NAILED THEM ALL? IS MY WIFE OKAY? HE THREATENED TO KILL HER IF I DIDN'T LIE TO YOU!

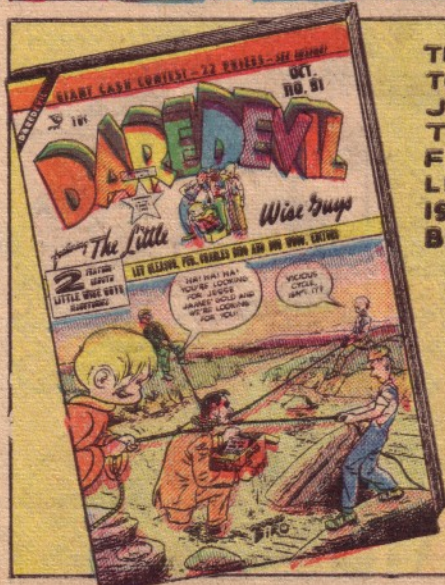
WE'VE GOT TWO MEN WITH HER NOW, TONY! SO THAT'S WHY YOU WERE LYING!

I'M GONNA BUST OUT OF HERE!

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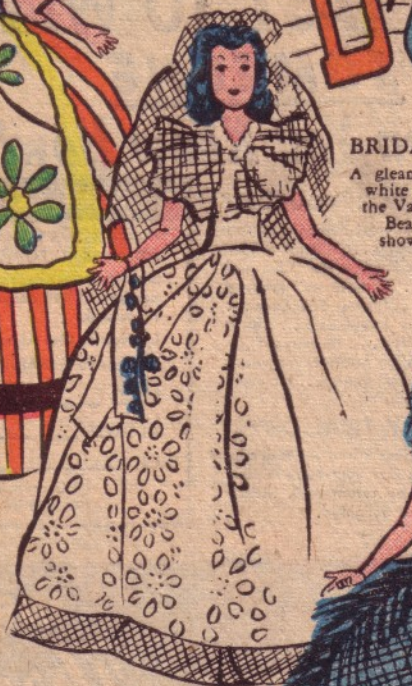


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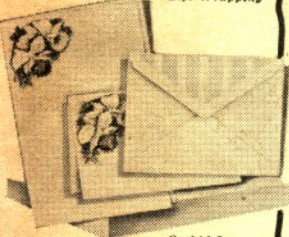
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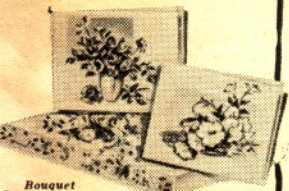
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